

Dallin Art Museum Monthly Trustees Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 8, 2022 at 7PM

Attendees:

- Sarah Burks
 - Chuck Luca
 - Ellen Aamodt
 - Heather Leavell
 - Chris Costello
 - Amy Moyer
 - Susan Gilbert
 - Peter Middleton
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Meeting called to order at 7:05PM

Action Items

- Chuck contacted Mary M at Town Hall to verify building alarm assessment. Waiting for response
- Back Door installation
 - o Door is in basement closet. Chuck to contact Mike on schedule to paint and install
- Building work
 - o Water damage in basement to be addressed after back door installation
- Collections Storage
 - o Heather to schedule volunteer work on the closet room insulation and weather stripping
 - o Rehousing to be completed over the winter

Minutes

- October Minutes acceptance proposed by Susan G. Ellen seconded. No opposed

Digital Program and Outreach

- Heather identified the Lawrence Macomber video of Vittoria and Cyrus Dallin
- Amy noted that there are a lot of Macomers in Westport and will research

Volunteer report

- Nancy Katz (professional photographer) has been in training with Peter M
 - o Photography programming for the museum
- Dan Johnson covered Sunday shift with 24 visitors
- Emma Bresnan has been offered the Docent Manager position on 11/8/22
 - o BA from William and Mary
 - o Graduate degree from Cooperstown
 - o Establish a Docent Plan/Program
- More volunteers needed
 - o Need to back fill temporarily with the recent loss of Anne Marie D. and Jim M.
 - o Heather provided the dates:
 - Sunday November 20, 12-2

- Saturday November 26, 12-2
- Sunday December 4, 12-2
- Sunday December 18, 12-2
- Susan G. will sign up to volunteer

Social Media

- Last month was mostly flat
- New followers
 - Chris Gillis (Artist selling through Cape Cod Art Museum)
 - Experience Design Studios
- Following
 - Quincy Quarry Museum

Calendar Events

- New Trustees
 - Amy and Mark appeared before Select Board and were appointed
- Old Schwamb Mill Indigenous Peoples Day Program 10/15/22 @ 2PM
 - Indigenous Peoples Day Lecture (Doreen and Heather)
 - The Life and World of the Saunskwa of the Massachusett
- First Lights 12/1/22 6-7:30PM (Rain Date 12/2/22)
 - Ellen has concerns about the planning timeline
 - Ellen has commitments from 2 musical groups
 - AHS to bring amplifiers and chairs
 - Chamber of Commerce is handling the sponsorship drive
 - Santa Claus
 - Mike Borgasano?
 - Snowman
 - Master of Ceremonies
 - Refreshments
 - Ice sculpture (Beth Locke contacted sculptor)
 - Town will put up the Lights
 - Need
 - Docents
 - Susan G
 - PR
 - Susan: 12/1 is set for Your Arlington and print
 - Storage spaces in Cutter Gallery (Chuck)
- Monday 12/12 Visit to Mary Baker Eddy – Seaport
- 2023 Event Planning
 - Photography Seminar
 - Kid's Sculpture Workshop
 - March 2023 – Women's History Month
 - Chris Costello Coin Graphic Design Lecture
 - New Quarter Coin focus on Historical Women

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- Bessie Coleman 1/2023
 - Heather to check with Anna Litten at the Robbins Library for a co-sponsorship
- Stone Sculptor in Bedford
 - Day workshop
 - Member Event
- Quincy Quarry Field trip
- Patriots Day
 - Paul Revere Bronze reveal
- Town Day AOTG
- Summer Series
 - Painting in the Whittemore Park / Dallin Museum / Cutter Gallery
 - Nick B. sculpting at the museum

News Media & Publicity

- First Light Photo and Publicity
- Plan to get the draft for the Dallin newsletter
 - Susan provided content
 - Newsletter out in December includes the Annual Appeal
- Bob Sprague asked if we want to write a publicity post for the recent grant awards
 - Heather to provide Susan a draft

Current Business

- Amy is working on transcription project
- Amy to write a blurb on Vittoria's birthday in November
 - Looking for Vittoria's Birthday in November
- Amy to write up article on the Native American Gallery for the magazine "Antiques" submission
- Jim's interview with ACMI was canceled
 - Geri will tape this on December 5th

Arlington Engagement

- Business Community had a meeting last week with Ellen and Senior planner for the Town. Rescheduled
- Ellen is a Town Meeting member – provide highlights

Other Business

- Board of Directors Meeting (10/3/22)
 - New Building sign to be installed on 11/9/22
 - Banner Project
 - Heather to fill out temp sign request
 - Paul Revere
 - Heather contacted Bob Shure to pick up and restore the P Revere status
 - Need to pour concrete pad for statue by April 2023
 - Verify if the existing Masonry team can perform the request

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- Need permit just for the pad
- Governor Wm Bradford Statue
 - Bob Shure to return the restored artwork
- Arlington Arts Council \$800 Grant submission for Peter Williams cleaning and Stanhope reframing “The Birdbath in Autumn”
 - Geri: Application submitted. Status update in December 2023
- Budget
 - FYTD – September 2022
 - Heather Lubold – New treasurer
 - Museum Space Redesign - \$50K
- Collections
 - Dallin papers from the Library are loaned to museum for 30 years
 - Need to digitize and catalog the papers
 - Grant for \$75K

New Business

- N/A

8:53PM: Ellen made a motion to adjourn. Sarah seconded. None opposed